

Happy Birthday?

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Summary: Toothless doesn't understand these weird human celebrations, and especially why Hiccup doesn't get them as often!

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**\*\*Something that's been sitting in my HTTYD folder since...sometime during RoB. I wonder what Toothless' thoughts would be on Hiccup's leap-day birthday? My headcanon is that Vikings won't celebrate until it's the actual birthday - no March 1st! Hardcore. Kudos to Hiccup for living through it.\*\***

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><p>He didn't have a birthday that year, but Toothless was more than enough.<p>

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Toothless doesn't understand. Pretty often, there are celebrations on Berk. Toothless doesn't exactly understand what they are, but apparently humans like to celebrate the day they were born for each year afterward.

Hence the term "birthday."

Toothless doesn't have a birthday â€" as if he could actually remember the day he was born. Dragons don't celebrate at all, and if they did, they wouldn't celebrate something as silly and nonsensical as that.

Fishlegs' birthday is first to come around, that first spring Toothless spent on Berk. Then Astrid, Snotlout, and the twins. He doesn't even notice until people start talking about Fishlegs' next birthday that Hiccup hasn't had one yet.

He watches extra carefully. Years pass, and Toothless still hasn't gotten the hang of it. Every year, Astrid, Fishlegs, Ruffnut, Tuffnut, and Snotlout celebrate on their own day. And Hiccup doesn't â€" he celebrates with them every \_four\_ of the days he should have.

Toothless can't even begin to try and make Hiccup understand this anomaly, but to his surprise, Hiccup takes it entirely in stride. Toothless even attempts, one revolution, to count when Hiccup's birthday should be â€" the number of suns since his last.

On that day, Toothless wakes him by jumping onto his bed, licking his face enthusiastically and waiting to see his reaction.

"Wh- huh? What are you doing?" Toothless is disappointed. Doesn't Hiccup realize today is his year-day?

He doesn't. He goes through the day as normal, but sighs more than usual. Astrid must be mad at him.

But who can understand humans anyway?

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